

From published test results the BPL issue seems to be a real threat to Amateur Radio Communications. I am concerned that if this program is implemented on a wide scale HF Amateur communications will suffer greatly.

I have personally used HF to help in several disasters including the 1962 Ash Wednesday storm when the W4TFZ station was the only communications link from North Carolina's outer banks for many days, Hurricane Floyd where the City of Franklin VA lost all telephone service, and recently Hurricane Isabel where Isle of Wight County police and fire lost all telephone communications.

The potential interference from BPL would likely have made the amateur radio HF communications in support of these disasters impossible.

Sincerely,  
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